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Docket No.: 0229-0793P

MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): Hiroaki KAJITA

For: PNEUMATIC TIRE

Enclosed are:

\boxtimes	A specification consisting of twenty-one (21) pages
\boxtimes	Six (6) sheet(s) of formal drawings
	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
	Applicant does not claim priority
	Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 2003-16526 filed in Japan on January 24, 2003. Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto. Certified copy(ies) will follow.

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		TOTAL	\$770.00	\$0.00

- The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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